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The very best board to be obtained in the city is at "The Occident Hotel." Rates very reasonable.

Not a Dead One in our store; we have sold them all out, only live patterns and live quality to choose from in the gratitude sale.—P. A. Stokes.

We Have Quoted Prices in our ad on page four that will surprise you if you are skeptical, then come in and look over the bargains we offer you during our Gratitude Sale.—P. A. Stokes.

Make Good Use of It—There is an "odd and end" sale on just now at the popular shoe house of Chas. V. Brown. Don't fail to avail yourself of the unusual opportunity for bargains in footwear. It's up to you!

Below Zero—That's where you will be if you don't check that cold and cure that cough with Hart's Compound Syrup Tar and Wild Cherry. Sure thing. At Hart's drug store, corner 14th and Commercial streets.

Funeral Today—The funeral services of Jennie Peterson, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Peterson, will be held today at the Norwegian-Danish Methodist church, by Rev. C. A. Peterson. Interment will occur at Greenwood cemetery.

New Astorienne—Yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock another little Astorienne made her debut at the happy home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Abercrombie, at No. 766 Franklin Avenue. She weighed 8 good pounds and brought her voice with her. Mother and little one are both doing finely.

We are going to move into the Spexarth Building, Commercial street, between 8th and 9th, the end of this week. Stock much be reduced in that time; in order to do so, will positively almost give goods away. Don't wait, come at once, or you will regret this opportunity. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale.

Do you feel sleepy and not a bit like working in the afternoon? Perhaps it's because of the kind of lunch you're eating—too heavy and too hard to digest. Why not try the Palace restaurant on Commercial street, where all the baking is done in those famous slow-process ovens, which turn out light, appetizing wholesome things? You'll save money, too. If

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Kipperd Mackerel 10c & 15c
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 go to
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Dell B. Scully, Notary Public at Scully's Cigar Store. Any old hour!

For a Swell Ladies' Back Comb or Belt Buckle, go to F. J. Donnerberg's, 116 11th street.

Lost—A red covered folding memorandum order book. Kindly leave same at Astorian office. 2-1-2t

Gratitude Sale—What is a gratitude sale? Read our ad, on page four and find out, why we call it a gratitude sale.—P. A. Stokes.

Fox Not Lost—The launch Fox was not lost near Junco, as was reported here. She was disabled at sea and given up as lost, but was finally towed in.

A Big Accession—The Sorenson Logging Company yesterday took over by deed duly filed of record, nearly five hundred acres of superb timber land closely adjacent to its bulk holdings in this county, at the handsome figure of \$18,500.

Slight Blaze—A burning fire at the residence of Mrs. Linowebor on Exchange street, occasioned the calling out of the fire department yesterday morning at 7 o'clock, but did no damage.

Will Return to Hospital—Mrs. H. C. Harrison, who was discharged from St. Mary's hospital several days ago, is again suffering with nervous trouble and will be forced to return to the hospital for treatment.

Chamber of Commerce—The regular meeting of the Astoria Chamber of Commerce will be held tomorrow evening at the customary hour. There will be several matters of importance to come before the association and a full attendance of members is desired.

The Seaside Teachers—Miss Emma C. Warren, superintendent of the county schools, left last evening for Seaside, where she addressed a Parents' Reception instituted by the teachers of the Seaside schools, on topics of general interest to both, and the affair was intensely enjoyed by all who had the good fortune to be present.

Chocolates and Bonbons
Hoefler's
Are the Best

ALL IN READINESS.

Clatsop's Splendid New Court House All Provided For.

That the initial work on the launching of the new Clatsop county court house in all its good shape for constructive treatment on Wednesday next, when the county court and the contracting firm, Hastie & Dougan of Seattle, shall meet to close up preliminaries, was authoritatively stated yesterday by Judge Trenchard and others in official touch with the project.

In this relation it is also said that any doubts entertained as to the status of Architect Lazarus in the premises have been completely done away with by the voluntary declaration of that gentleman, made to County Judge Trenchard, on Thursday last, that he intended to watch the last and least building item in the forthcoming work and that it should be done well and faithfully at all hazards so far as he was concerned; that the plans and specifications were his, and in justice to his professional reputation and to the county that employed him, he intended to oversee and guard every element of the construction. The contract in the case has been carefully drawn and all documentary preliminaries ready for final signers.

BURGLARS BREAK IN.

Steal Cloth Valued at Over Two Hundred Dollars.

Twelve bolts of cloth, valued at over \$200, were stolen from A. Kljun's tailor shop on Bond street, Friday night or early yesterday morning. The burglars entered by a rear door, took the cloth from the table, removed the tags, dropping them on the floor, and retired with their booty. A partition protected them from the view of anyone in front of the store and they managed to get their somewhat bulky haul to some safe place without being discovered. To have gotten these twelve bolts away unobserved, it seems probable that they must either have carried them to some near-by place or have taken them away in a boat, from the tideway beneath the premises. However, no clue has yet been discovered that would lead to the adoption of either theory.

He Got a Telegram—He had not been married very long and was getting along happily, when the pleasant tenor of his life was warped by the receipt of a telegram from his warlike mother-in-law, announcing her arrival on a certain train. He met her dutifully, and carried her load of bundles up home, smiling, but vengeful, and she no sooner got there than she assumed entire command of the establishment, including herself. He bent every faculty to devising ways and means of ousting her and at last skillfully painted himself a life-like image of a small-pox patient; goes to bed and the scheme works like a charm. For life-like details of the story, see the new moving-picture films at the Waldorf. 4t

Two Estate Orders—Judge Trenchard, sitting for probate matters yesterday made an order fixing March 4, at 2 p. m., as the time for hearing the final account of the administrator of the estate of the late D. Saltonstall; and another order approving the account at hand, of the administrator of the estate of Thomas Eccles, deceased.

Hearing Tomorrow—Attorney G. C. Fulton has been employed to look after the interests of C. Roy Fox, in the Clatsop jail on a charge of murder in the matter of the death of Blanche Day at the Waldorf Jance hall lately. It is now understood that the young man will be given a hearing in Justice Goodman's court tomorrow, and that he will enter a plea of "not guilty" to the greater charge, or any other that may be laid against him.

Licensed to Marry—County Clerk Clinton yesterday issued a marriage license in favor of Mr. W. H. McFarland and Miss Sophia Whitford, both of this county, Fred Selvert being the legal witness in the premise. The young lady is but 16 years of age, and her father's written consent was filed with the clerk, as the law directs in such cases.

Here on Business—E. W. Wright, the brilliant free-lance of the Portland Oregonian, was a business visitor in Astoria yesterday, attending to some property interests hereabout. He returned to the metropolis on the evening express.

Is Convalescent—Jacob Davis, who was operated upon some time ago for appendicitis, has been getting along very nicely and was taken from the hospital to his residence yesterday.

New Hospital Nurse—Miss Dora Slevord, formerly nurse at St. Vincent's hospital in Portland, is now employed in the same capacity at St. Mary's hospital in this city.

Up Against a Freeze—The Weather Bureau has announced a siege, of several days' duration, the chief characteristic of which will be freezing conditions all over the Northwest, the notice having been posted here yesterday morning. It is to come out of the northeast and covers a wide range of territory and if it measures up to the indications, will be far worse than the cold wave of January. The only hope at hand is that the great bureau sometimes misses its calculations as to time, territory and intensity and the popular prayer of the hour is that it has slipped a cog in this case; but in the event it has not, it is up to the Astoria citizen to take better care of his water pipes than he did a few weeks ago and turn the water off at the main every night, and on again in the morning (if it will come on).

Mr. Mayo Protests—In an interview with General Passenger Agent J. C. Mayo, of the Astoria & Columbia River Railroad Company, yesterday morning, in relation to the removal of his department from Astoria to Portland, as suggested in yesterday's Morning Astorian, he quite frankly admitted the fact that the office would be established at the metropolis on the first of the coming month; but deprecated the insinuation that he was in any way responsible for the change. He said the order was made from headquarters, in the direct interest of the passenger business of the road, and for the better disposal of those interests by being in immediate touch with the connecting lines with which it deals constantly and largely.

Getting into Shape—The friends of the movement will be glad to note the certain progress attained by the Seamen's and Fishermen's Friend Society of Astoria, as attested yesterday in the filing of the articles of incorporation of that excellent and beneficent institution, to which the Rev. Mr. Eliffson has so ardently devoted himself for the past year. The document filed yesterday indicates the purpose of the society to promote the temporal, moral and spiritual welfare of the beneficiaries. The property values quoted in the articles were fixed at \$1,000, and the official sponsors signing the same were Messrs. J. T. Ross, R. M. Gaston and Paul L. Stansland. May it flourish abundantly.

To Honor the "22nd"—The popular Catholic fraternity, the Young Men's Institute, of this city, intends to mark the coming birthday of the Father of His Country, George Washington, in very pleasant and definite fashion; in fact, they will excel all previous observances of the day, and do it because they are convinced that the notable anniversary is being gradually passed by with less and less honor, year by year. They will have several fine orators present from other parts of the state, a fine musical program and refreshments galore. The detail of the affair will be published later and it will be alluring when it comes.

Will Be Born Tomorrow—The lively little town of Cathlamet, on the Washington Side of the Columbia, intends to burst from its village chrysalis tomorrow and bloom into the youngest municipal corporation in the Evergreen State. An election will be held providing for its incorporation and at the same time electing A. F. Cooper as its first mayor, with the following named gentlemen in line for councilmanic honors: M. Gorman, Fred Peacock, Fred Brown, Joseph Burke, and Tojn T. Nassa. Editor George F. Hanigan, of the Cathlamet Sun, was in Astoria yesterday on a business errand, returning to his northshore habitation on the Undine last night.

Your last chance at the old stand-goods that are left will simply be sacrificed or given away, as we must move what is left the end of this week. C. H. Cooper's Great Retiring Sale...4t

Morning Astorian, 60 cents a month, delivered by carrier.

PERSONAL MENTION.

O. C. Hedeon of Coal Creek is in Astoria for a brief visit. Alfred Hunter of Seaside was in this city yesterday.

R. S. Smith of the O. R. & N. and wife are visiting friends here.

T. Harris of Svensen came in on the Undine yesterday.

Police Sergeant Twombly left for Portland and Oregon City yesterday.

D. W. Riddle came down from the metropolis yesterday on business. Ed Anderson and wife of New York were in this city yesterday.

S. A. Mills of Cleveland, Ohio, is spending a few days in this city.

Thomas Meserve of Gray's River was in Astoria yesterday on business. James Taylor and wife of Skamokawa were in Astoria yesterday.

One Piano Number free with every \$5 Sale.

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Herman Wise,
 Behind each Overcoat, Suit, Hat, etc., sold in his store.

A TRIAL PROVES THE WORTH OF OUR \$4.00 and \$5.00 SHOES FOR MEN

They are the height of fashion but not the extreme. Full of comfort and good service for the man that walks much or little.

They come in various leathers. All sizes and widths in stock.

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 The Leading Shoe Dealers.

DONE BY DEED

Marie Drilling et ux to Victor Burgman, land near Seaside...	1
Annie M. Jordan et ux to John Chitwood, lots 13 and 14, block 117, McClure's Astoria.....	750
H. H. Irvine to Sorenson Logging Company, SE 1-4 Section 5, SW 1-4 Section 4, SW 1-4 Section 3, T. 7 N., R. S. W....	16,500

SONS OF HERMAN CELEBRATE.

Annual Ball Given Last Night—Splendid Success.

The Sons of Herman gave their annual ball last night at Foard & Stokes hall and it was a splendid success in every way and the large crowd present thoroughly enjoyed themselves as is always the custom at these events. The following were the prize winners: "Best dressed lady," Goddess of Liberty, Miss Baldwin; second, "Snow Queen," Mrs. Schmitz. Best sustained character, "Dutch Girls," Violet Lovell and Mamie D'Elia; second, "Gipsy Girl," Mrs. Harry Jones. Best dressed gentlemen, "Geo. Washington," Harry Jones; second, "Mexican," Max Seafeldt. Best sustained gentlemen character, "Chinaman," Will Adams; second, "Country Fiddler," D. V. Pincetich. Spectator's prize, Miss Grace Davis.

Morning Astorian, 60 cents a month.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

Notice is hereby given that the County Superintendent of Clatsop county will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at the court house as follows:

For State Papers—Commencing on Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Saturday, February 16, at 4 p. m.

Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, physical geography, reading, psychology.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, bookkeeping, physics, civic government.

Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, algebra.

Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, and school law.

For County Papers—Commencing Wednesday, February 13, at 9 o'clock a. m., and continuing until Friday, February 15, at 4 o'clock p. m.

First, Second and Third Grade Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, history, orthography, reading.

Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, physiology.

Friday—Geography, mental arithmetic, school law, civic government.

Primary Certificates: Wednesday—Penmanship, orthography, arithmetic, reading.

Thursday—Art of questioning, theory of teaching, physiology.

Yes, the 10c Store is here. Open for business Monday, February 4th. Reed Building, on 11th St., Between Commercial and Duane Streets.